Hindu graduates will hereafter be appointed as the Mahomedan members say that this may be done.

Industries and Commerce.

(*No. 173.*)

SUBJECT No. 173.

Encouragement to industrial concerns.

Mr. K. Ramanuja Iyengar, Gubbi Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—*Mr. K. Ramanuja Iyengar.*—(i) To improve the condition of factories newly started in the State, officers of the Industries and Commerce Department should be made to co-operate with mill-owners for a year at least and give them the required training. (ii) Government may educate people by actual demonstrations started in 3 or 4 centres through experts.

Reply of Government.—When we have more officers we shall distribute them among the districts.

Agriculture.

(*No. 174.*)

SUBJECT No. 174.

Agricultural Demonstration Farms.

Mr. K. Ramanuja Iyengar, Gubbi Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(1) To demonstrate that more crop with less cost can be grown on extensive land by the use of the improved agricultural implements and by adopting new methods of cultivation, six model farms to grow crops suited to the nature of the soil may be formed in all the taluks,—three in Amrut Mahal Kaval lands under tanks to grow sugar-cane, paddy and other wet crops and three in other suitable lands to grow cotton, cocoanut and other commercial crops. (2) These farms may be made over to intelligent, capable and enterprising men of the taluk to work out so as to serve as examples to neighbouring agriculturists.

Reply of Government.—Subject discussed already. (*Vide* subject No. 124 above.)

Self-Government.

(*Nos. 175 to 176.*)

SUBJECT No. 175.

Expenditure from District Funds.

Mr. Puttanarasaiya, Bangalore Tk.

Summary of discussion.—Half the Local Fund Income obtained in a village may be spent in the village concerned.

Mr. Puttanarasaiya.—Half the income of every village should be utilised for the village itself.

Reply of Government.—The order on local taxation will be issued shortly and will deal with all these matters and will give more powers to village bodies.

SUBJECT No. 176.

Housing the poor and working class people in Municipal Towns.

Summary of discussion.—A Debenture Loan of one crore of rupees at 5 per cent may be raised by Government and lent to Municipalities and Co-operative Building Societies at the same rate of interest to be lent by them

Mr. M., Srinivasa Rao, B.A., Sri Yadugiri Sadananda Vardhini Sabha, Melkote.

to *bona fide* house builders of limited means at 5½ per cent on proper security.

Mr. M. Srinivasa Rao—Government should pay more attention to the health of poor people. Coolies especially live in very congested localities and in poor huts, where epidemics are very frequent. Sites should be set apart in every district to give proper houses to poor people. In some form or other money should be lent to them especially to those who are employed in various industrial concerns in the State. Municipalities should be responsible for making arrangements and Government must make up their mind to bear the cost. Money may be given to house-building Co-operative Societies.

Reply of Government.—Co-operative Societies can raise loans to finance these schemes. If any Co-operative Society comes to Government with any particular scheme, Government will consider it favourably. Municipalities cannot lend money. They may build houses and sell them. This experiment is being tried in Shimoga. If it works successfully, Government will extend it to other places.

Miscellaneous.

(*Nos. 177 to 184.*)

Subject No. 177.

Removal of restrictions on free transport of food grains between Mysore and the British territories.

Mr. Anjaneya Setty, Pavagada Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The restriction imposed on the free transport of food grains between the Mysore State and the British territories has stopped all such transport to the great inconvenience of the people. The restriction may be removed.

Chief Secretary.—We are in communication with the British Government, as to the feasibility of removing the restrictions. We are getting 10,000 bags of rice from Rajamundry in exchange for ragi, gram, etc., to be sent from here. The restrictions have caused some difficulties but they are absolutely necessary under existing conditions and it is not possible to cancel them. The British Government have also similar restrictions.

Mr. Narasimhachar.—During market days all the carts with or without licenses should be allowed to pass without being detained in the ookads. There should be no restrictions on the carts going to the Santemarahalli shandy.

Reply of Government.—The restrictions cannot be removed yet. The Food Controller will inquire into individual grievances.

Subject No. 178.

Retail and Wholesale Prices of Food Grains.

R.A.

Summary of discussion.—(1) Retail and wholesale prices for the sale of food grains may be fixed by Government. (2) Government Grain Depots may be established